

Indiana Board of Pharmacy

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Governor Mitchell E. Daniels, Jr.

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Dear Approved Printer Vendor:

This letter serves as written notification to your company as an approved security feature prescription paper vendor that the Indiana Board of Pharmacy ("Board") is restructuring its approved vendor list by requiring all approved vendors to resubmit a completed application (enclosed) and proof for review by the Board (a sample security feature prescription paper template with statutory requirements and cites enclosed).

Due to the widespread use of security feature prescription paper that does not meet Indiana security feature requirements and the recent introduction of Medicaid's tamper resistant requirements, the Board is revisiting its administration of approved vendors in Indiana.

Please complete and submit the enclosed application with a security feature prescription paper proof that meets Indiana's security feature requirements no later than January 30, 2009.

The Board will review your application and, if approved, will include your company on the revised approved vendor list which will be disseminated to practitioners via mailer and posted on all stakeholder websites. The Board may remove a vendor from the approved list that fails to produce security feature prescription paper in accordance with Indiana law.

If the application is denied, you may no longer print security feature prescription paper in Indiana. Reasons for denial include, but are not limited to, the submission of an incomplete application or a proof that does not meet *all* security feature requirements. If you continue to print security feature prescription paper in Indiana after your application is denied, you may be subject to criminal and administrative liability. If the application is denied, you may not resubmit a new application for six (6) months from the January 30, 2009 deadline. This restriction is to avoid burdening the Board with repetitive applications from vendors. Each application requires a thorough review of the submitted proof and testing of the security features (e.g. photocopying on adjusted settings to ensure that the "VOID" feature is visible when the security feature prescription paper is copied).

Failure to submit the application and proof on or before January 30, 2009 will result in your removal from the approved vendor list. **There will be no further notice provided regarding said removal.**

Following the posting of the new approved vendor list on March 1, 2009, the Board will require approved vendors to resubmit proofs and renewal applications every two (2) years. Renewal application notices will be sent out sixty (60) days prior to the January 30, 2011 deadline to renew. In the interim, the Board will be conducting on-site inspections and random audits of prescription security paper being used by practitioners.

As stated above, please submit a completed application and proof on or before January 30, 2009.

Sincerely,

Marty Allain, Director Indiana Board Pharmacy